

## Student Diversity on Campus

**Questions:** What races/ethnicity's are represented on Ohio's college campuses? What percent of Ohio undergraduates are out-of-state or international students? What percent of undergraduate students attend college part time? What percent of undergraduate students are older than age 24? What percent of undergraduates are out-of-state residents? These are all questions pertaining to student diversity. How does undergraduate student diversity vary by sector or institution?

**Why ask about student diversity?** For some students college is the first time they are exposed to other students who are different races, come from different countries, or have family concerns and responsibilities that are different from their own. For other students, college represents a continued exposure to others who look different, come from different countries, or have different family responsibilities. Prospective students and their families may, however, make conscious choices about a college or university based upon the diversity of a campus' undergraduate population.

**National Answers: A recent issue of the Chronicle of Higher Education\* reveals that undergraduates are diverse when looked at from a national perspective.**

- Nationally:
  - One percent of undergraduates are American Indians.
  - Six percent of undergraduates are American Asians.
  - Eleven percent of undergraduates are Black Americans.
  - Nine percent of undergraduates are Hispanic Americans.
  - Seventy percent of undergraduates are White Americans.
  - Two percent of undergraduates are foreign students.
  - Seventy percent of undergraduates are full-time and thirty percent are part-time.
  - Seventy percent of undergraduates are age 24 and younger and thirty percent are age 25 and older.

\* Chronicle of Higher Education Almanac, September 1, 2000.

**Statewide Answers: There is diversity in Ohio's undergraduate population. The greatest proportion of Ohio's state-supported undergraduate students are white and traditional in age (younger than age 25) but many undergraduates are older than age 25 and the statewide percentage of part-time undergraduate students is forty percent.**

- Ohio Undergraduates at State-Supported Colleges and Universities- Autumn 1999:

### Percent of Ohio Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity

#### Measures

➤ American Indian	0%		
➤ Asian American	2%		
➤ Black American	11%		
➤ Hispanic American	2%		
➤ Foreign Students	1%		
➤ White American	81%		
➤ Race/Ethnicity Unknown	3%		
➤ Part-time	40%;	Full-time	60%
➤ Age 25 and Older	33%;	Age 24 and younger	67%
➤ Out-of-State U.S. Students	6%;	In-State U.S. Students	93%

Note: Ohio demographic statistics for 1998\* report that 1.1% of the entire state population is Asian American; 11.7% is African American; 1.6% is Hispanic; and 86.7% is White American. The racial and ethnic characteristics of students in Ohio's state-supported colleges and universities are quite close to the demographic statistics of the entire state.

\*Ohio County profiles; Office of Strategic Research, Ohio Department of Development

**Sector Answers: There is great variation in selected diversity measures among Ohio's undergraduate population by sector. Community colleges appear to have greatest diversity of their undergraduate students (undergraduates = 75% white and 18% black) and are serving many non-traditional students (undergraduates older than age 24 =53%; undergraduate part-time students =69%). Variability on these measures is evident across sectors. A majority (81%) of undergraduate students on university main campuses is younger than age 25 years of age.**

- Ohio Undergraduates at State-Supported Colleges and Universities- Autumn 1999:

**Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures**

	Community Colleges	State Community Colleges	Technical Colleges	University Branches	University Main Campuses
American Indian	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
Asian American	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%
Black American	18%	13%	6%	4%	10%
Hispanic American	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%
Foreign Students	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%
White American	75%	80%	90%	88%	80%
Race/Ethnicity Unknown	1%	2%	1%	6%	4%
Full-Time Students	31%	34%	49%	51%	80%
Part-Time Students	69%	66%	51%	49%	20%
Under 25 years old	47%	52%	51%	63%	81%
Over 24 years old	53%	48%	49%	37%	19%
Out-of-State U.S. students	2%	4%	2%	2%	8%

**Campus Answers: There is great diversity among Ohio's undergraduate population by institution and by campus.**

- Cuyahoga Community College's Eastern and Metro Campus have the greatest percentage of non-white (or foreign) undergraduates of all two-year colleges (fifty-six percent and sixty-four percent non-white respectively). Central State University, Ohio's only historically black university, serves the greatest percentage of non-white undergraduates at the University Main campuses (ninety-six percent non-white or foreign), although the actual number of undergraduates at Central State is the smallest of all four year campuses (1,077 undergraduates total).
- The part-time undergraduate population at Cuyahoga Community College's Eastern Campus is seventy-nine percent, highest in the state for all colleges and universities. Miami University's part-time undergraduate population of six percent is the lowest in the entire state.
- The undergraduate population that is older than age 24 is greatest at sixty-three percent on the metro Campus of Cuyahoga Community College for two-year institutions and Cleveland State's undergraduate population that is older than age 24 is forty-four percent, the highest for university main campuses.

**Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures – Community Colleges**

Institution	Campus	# UGrad Students	Am. Indian	Asian Am.	Black Am.	Hisp. Am.	Foreign	White	Race?	Full-Time	Part-Time	Under 25	Over 24	Out State U.S.
Cuyahoga Community College	Eastern Campus	4,686	0%	3%	48%	1%	2%	44%	2%	21%	79%	38%	62%	0%
	Metro Campus	6,872	0%	3%	52%	4%	3%	36%	2%	32%	68%	37%	63%	0%
	Western Campus	11,169	1%	3%	5%	3%	2%	86%	2%	28%	72%	53%	47%	0%
Jefferson Community College		1,429	0%	0%	5%	0%	1%	94%	0%	53%	47%	56%	44%	17%
Lakeland Community College		8,218	0%	1%	5%	1%	0%	91%	1%	30%	70%	51%	49%	0%
Lorain County Community College		6,701	0%	1%	7%	6%	0%	84%	1%	36%	64%	56%	44%	0%
Rio Grande Community College		1,320	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	75%	22%	76%	24%	71%	29%	0%
Sinclair Community College		21,335	0%	2%	17%	1%	1%	79%	0%	28%	72%	42%	58%	3%

### Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures – State Community Colleges

Institution	Campus	# UGrad Students	Am. Indian	Asian Am.	Black Am.	Hisp. Am.	Foreign	White	Race Known	Full-Time	Part-Time	Under 25	Over 24	Out State U.S.
Cincinnati State Technical & Community College		6,584	0%	2%	23%	1%	1%	68%	5%	36%	64%	52%	48%	11%
Clark State Community College		2,724	0%	1%	10%	1%	0%	84%	4%	35%	65%	51%	49%	0%
Columbus State Community College		20,146	0%	3%	19%	1%	2%	72%	2%	37%	63%	54%	46%	3%
Edison State Community College		2,830	0%	1%	2%	1%	0%	96%	0%	33%	67%	53%	47%	0%
Northwest State Community College		2,297	1%	1%	1%	4%	0%	93%	1%	37%	63%	57%	43%	1%
Owens State Community College	Findlay Campus	1,831	0%	1%	2%	4%	0%	93%	0%	28%	72%	51%	49%	1%
Owens State Community College	Toledo Campus	15,009	1%	1%	11%	3%	0%	83%	1%	26%	74%	48%	52%	5%
Southern State Community College	Central Campus	985	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	97%	1%	33%	67%	53%	47%	0%
Southern State Community College	North Campus	497	0%	1%	2%	0%	0%	97%	0%	26%	74%	49%	51%	0%
Southern State Community College	South Campus	448	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	99%	0%	42%	58%	62%	38%	0%
Terra State Community College		2,556	0%	0%	2%	4%	0%	94%	0%	37%	63%	55%	45%	0%
Washington State Community College		2,073	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	95%	2%	54%	46%	59%	41%	11%

### Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures – Technical Colleges

Institution	# UGrad Students	Am. Indian	Asian Am.	Black Am.	Hisp. Am.	Foreign	White	Race Known	Full-Time	Part-Time	Under 25	Over 24	Out State U.S.
Belmont Technical College	1,571	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	95%	0%	61%	39%	53%	47%	13%
Central Ohio Technical College	1,785	1%	1%	3%	1%	0%	93%	2%	38%	62%	49%	51%	0%
Hocking Technical College	5,072	0%	1%	8%	1%	1%	89%	1%	70%	30%	60%	40%	4%
Lima Technical College	2,552	0%	1%	7%	1%	0%	88%	3%	53%	47%	52%	48%	0%
Marion Technical College	1,656	0%	0%	5%	1%	0%	93%	0%	43%	57%	49%	51%	0%
Muskingum Area Technical College	2,188	1%	0%	6%	1%	0%	92%	0%	46%	54%	48%	52%	0%
North Central State College	2,883	1%	1%	5%	1%	0%	92%	1%	37%	63%	46%	54%	0%
Stark State College of Technology	4,679	1%	1%	8%	1%	0%	88%	1%	33%	67%	44%	56%	1%

**Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures – University Branch Campuses**

Institution	Campus	# UGrad Students	Am. Indian	Asian Am.	Black Am.	Hisp. Am.	Foreign	White	Race Known	Full-Time	Part-Time	Under 25	Over 24	Out State U.S.
Bowling Green State University	Firelands Campus	1,301	0%	0%	6%	2%	0%	88%	4%	44%	56%	62%	38%	0%
Kent State University	Ashtabula Campus	1,157	0%	0%	4%	2%	0%	93%	1%	41%	59%	48%	52%	0%
	East Liverpool Campus	649	0%	0%	3%	1%	0%	92%	2%	44%	56%	54%	46%	5%
	Geauga Campus	589	0%	0%	5%	1%	0%	91%	3%	34%	66%	58%	42%	1%
	Salem Campus	1,017	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	96%	1%	43%	57%	56%	44%	1%
	Stark Campus	2,794	0%	1%	6%	0%	0%	91%	2%	49%	51%	68%	32%	0%
	Trumbull Campus	2,201	1%	0%	9%	1%	1%	86%	2%	38%	62%	48%	52%	0%
	Tuscarawas Campus	1,633	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	95%	3%	53%	47%	63%	37%	0%
Miami University	Hamilton Campus	2,582	0%	1%	4%	1%	0%	92%	2%	45%	55%	69%	31%	2%
	Middletown Campus	2,554	1%	1%	5%	1%	0%	92%	0%	47%	53%	69%	31%	3%
Ohio State University	Agricultural Technical Institute	1,019	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	97%	1%	83%	17%	86%	14%	3%
Ohio State University	Lima Campus	1,212	0%	1%	3%	2%	0%	93%	1%	77%	23%	79%	21%	0%
	Mansfield Campus	1,485	0%	1%	4%	1%	0%	92%	2%	67%	33%	78%	22%	1%
	Marion Campus	1,089	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	94%	2%	64%	36%	76%	24%	1%
	Newark Campus	1,737	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%	94%	2%	68%	32%	80%	20%	1%
Ohio University	Chillicothe Campus	1,488	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%	76%	21%	57%	43%	65%	35%	2%
	Eastern Campus	853	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	84%	14%	76%	24%	71%	29%	4%
	Lancaster Campus	1,373	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	91%	7%	57%	43%	66%	34%	0%
	Southern Campus	2,049	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	63%	34%	58%	42%	56%	44%	11%
	Zanesville Campus	1,276	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	80%	17%	58%	42%	62%	38%	0%
University of Akron	Wayne Campus	1,748	0%	1%	2%	0%	0%	94%	2%	37%	63%	58%	42%	0%
University of Cincinnati	Clermont Campus	2,229	1%	1%	3%	1%	0%	90%	4%	45%	55%	56%	44%	1%
	Raymond Walters Campus	3,880	1%	2%	10%	1%	0%	79%	6%	38%	62%	52%	48%	3%
Wright State University	Lake Campus	966	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	95%	3%	48%	52%	52%	48%	0%

**Percent of Undergraduate Students on Selected Diversity Measures – University Main Campuses**

Institution	# UGrad Students	Am. Indian	Asian Am.	Black Am.	Hisp. Am.	Foreign	White	Race Known	Full-Time	Part-Time	Under 25	Over 24	Out State U.S.
Bowling Green State University	15,231	0%	1%	4%	2%	1%	89%	3%	92%	8%	92%	8%	6%
Central State University	1,077	0%	0%	93%	0%	2%	4%	0%	90%	10%	76%	24%	25%
Cleveland State University	10,680	0%	3%	18%	3%	2%	60%	14%	64%	36%	56%	44%	1%
Kent State University	17,158	0%	1%	8%	1%	1%	87%	1%	82%	18%	83%	17%	6%
Miami University	15,253	0%	2%	4%	2%	0%	89%	3%	94%	6%	97%	3%	26%
Ohio State University	36,755	0%	5%	8%	2%	4%	79%	1%	85%	15%	87%	13%	10%
Ohio University	16,554	0%	1%	3%	1%	2%	86%	6%	93%	7%	93%	7%	9%
Shawnee State University	3,607	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%	91%	5%	74%	26%	66%	34%	9%
University of Akron	17,722	1%	2%	15%	1%	1%	78%	2%	65%	35%	67%	33%	2%
University of Cincinnati	20,381	0%	3%	15%	1%	1%	77%	3%	74%	26%	77%	23%	7%
University of Toledo	16,305	0%	2%	13%	2%	3%	74%	5%	71%	29%	73%	27%	9%
Wright State University	11,219	0%	2%	12%	1%	1%	79%	5%	79%	21%	78%	22%	3%
Youngstown State University	11,023	0%	1%	9%	2%	1%	84%	4%	79%	21%	73%	27%	8%